Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance, 2001 has been promulgated under which 25 organisations, including Lashkar-e-Toiba have been notified as Terrorist Organisations.

Surrender offer made by Veerappan

*325. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that brigand Veerappan has offered to surrender on certain conditions;

(b) if so, how the State Governments of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka have reacted to the offer;

(c) whether Central Government propose to intervene in the matter; and

(d) if so, the stand of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Both the State Governments of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka have intimated that no surrender offer by Veerappan has been received by them.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Installation of statues of Smt. Indira Gandhi and Shri Veer Savarkar

*326. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to install the statues of Smt. Indira Gandhi and that of Shri Veer Savarkar, who was detained in Andaman and Nicobar Islands; and

(b) if so, when this decision is going to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The statue of Shri Veer Savarkar was installed in Veer Savarkar Park in front of the National Memorial, Cellular Jail, Port Blair and unveiled on 2nd February, 1984 as a part of his birth

centenary celebrations. The Andaman & Nicobar Administration have also decided to install a statue of Smt. Indira Gandhi. However, the time-frame within which this statue is to be installed depends on selection of an appropriate site.

Diesel stolen from various projects of Northern Coal Fields Limited

†*327. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lakhs of litres of diesel have been stolen from various projects of Northern Coal Fields Limited since January, 2000; and

(b) if so, whether the Government would get the said scam investigated by the CBI and if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No. Sir.

(b) The question of getting the matter investigated by CBI does not arise.

Visit by Chinese People's Liberation Army Delegation

*328. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a seven-member Chinese People's Liberation Army delegation arrived in New Delhi on September 6, 2001;

(b) if so, whether the main purpose of this delegation was to enhance military-to-military contact between the two countries;

(c) what were the main points discussed between the two countries;

(d) whether any agreement was reached; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.